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TOO HIGH A TIDE OF IMMIGRA-
TION

How overwhelming the flood of
immigrants will be unless steps are
taken to check it the statement of
the representatives of the steamship
lines to the Commissioner of Immi-
gration reveals. These assert that
no less than 15,000,000 people are
now clamoring for passage to the
United States. The number is amaz-
ing, but there is no reason to assume
that it is exaggerated. The com-
panies must have the figures. Their
offices at foreign ports are crowded
with applicants for tickets at any
price. Many of them have received
money from relatives here and have
sold all their possessions besides.

Now this country could not possi-
bly absorb industrially such a vast
horde as this in so short a time, even
if every immigrant were a desirable
addition to the population. But it is
estimated that fully a third of them
could not pass the immigration in-
spectors. Naturally the steamship
companies do not wish to bring over
passenger whom they would have to
take back at their own expense. On
the other hand, the European govern-
ments are glad to get rid of their
radicals or their criminals in this
fashion. To such they issue passports
to those who are needed at home
they refuse to issue them. They can-
not afford to lose the element upon
which their future prosperity de-
pends. We cannot afford to take
over the other element.

Of all the European nations, France
and England alone are holding their
own through the forces of loyalty.

In Central and Southern Europe the
situation is wholly different. The
war has left the people profoundly
discouraged. Even the Italians, with
all their energy and industry, are
appalled by the magnitude of the
tasks confronting them. In them this
is probably only a temporary mood.
The Germans and Slavs are more
persistent in their desire to escape
to a new land.

The Commissioner of Immigration
says that we are getting "splendid
men" from many countries. They
are farmers and the demand for
their services is great. But he says
that even now there are a thousand
at Ellis Island who will have to be
sent back. More disturbing still is
his statement that present tests do
not eliminate the undesirable. It is
impossible to detect members of re-
volutionary societies. As Mr. Wallis
says, "We can't read their minds."
They pass all the tests, and there is
nothing to do but admit them. It is
clear, therefore, that some radical
revision of the laws will be neces-
sary if the grave peril now threaten-
ing is to be averted.

Sheriff Who Guarded Costumes Keer
An Eagle Eye on Handbag
New York, Dec. 3.—Sheriff Knott
through his deputies took charge
last night of the costumes used by
the chorus in "Broadway Brevities"
at the Winter Garden. The official
seizure caused considerable commo-
tion among the girls of the chorus
and delayed the raising of the cur-
tain about 15 minutes.

The seizure also imposed a some-
what embarrassing task upon the
Sheriff's keeper, who was left in
charge to see that none of the cos-
tumes nor furniture, seized on a pre-
vious writ, were removed from the
theatre.

"I can prevent them from taking
out the furniture," said the keeper
last night, "but how will I know if
the girls take out the costumes in
their handbags. I see now why they
call it 'Broadway Brevities.'"

The first seizure was on a replevin
proceeding brought by Wm. Bims
for furniture valued at \$1,045 which
the claimant said he rented to Rufus
Le Mair, and the producers, but for
which the defendants had refused to
pay. It was arranged among the
lawyers to permit the furniture to
remain in the Winter Garden for use
in the "Broadway Brevities," instead
of having the Sheriff remove it as
demanded.

The second replevin was obtained
by Paul Arlington, for the seizure of
the costumes. The plaintiff alleged
that the defendants owe him \$5,000
for costumes.

This matter came up just before
curtain time yesterday evening and
created an awkward situation for a
time, for even the show with the
ambiguous name could not go on
without any costumes. After some
discussion between the attorneys
representing the plaintiff and the de-
fendants, it was arranged that the
performance proceed with the cos-
tumes.

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ing is a list of some of the revised prices:

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Prices

25c apron gingham, now	15c
30c apron gingham, best quality, now	20c
69c dress gingham, now	50c
50c outing cloths heavy, now	39c
59c percales, now	39c
39c percales, now	29c
35c dress gingham, now	25c
\$1.25 mercerized poplins, now	75c
59c pink and blue crepes, now	39c
\$1.00 Alledo silks, now	75c
59c kimono cloth, now	50c
25c cambric, now	18c
50c satine, now	35c
65c satine, now	50c
\$1.00 cretonne, now	75c
75c cretonne, now	59c
59c cretonne, now	50c
\$1.00 plain Sunfast Drapery, now	75c
69c fancy draperies, now	50c
50c plain blue and pink outing, now	35c
59c plain blue and pink outing, now	50c
50c pillow cases, now	39c
75c pillow cases, now	59c
85c pillow cases, now	75c
\$3.25 bed sheets, now	\$2.75
\$3.00 bed sheets, now	\$2.50
\$2.75 bed sheets, now	\$2.25
\$1.75 bed sheets, now	\$1.25

25c crash toweling, now	15c
50c bleached cotton, now	35c
39c bleached cotton, now	25c
25c unbleached cotton, now	15c
39c unbleached cotton, now	25c
45c unbleached cotton, now	35c
15c cheese cloth, now	12 1-2c
90c bleached sheeting, now	75c
80c bleached sheeting, now	69c
85c unbleached sheeting, now	65c
90c feather ticking, now	75c
75c canton flannels, now	60c
65c canton flannel, now	50c



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